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Certificate of Correction Branch Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

> Re: U.S. Patent for Alkyl-Linked Nucleotide Compositions Appl. No. 10/762,078; Filed January 21, 2004 Patent No. 7,371,852B2; Issued May 13, 2008

Our File 047446/273072

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued for the above-identified patent, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.322. This request is made in order to correct the mistakes incurred through the fault of the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").

The mistakes appearing in the patent are set forth on the Certificate of Correction e-filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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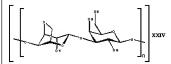
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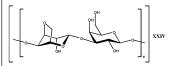
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Column 5

Lines 3-14



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Column 26

Lines 44-51 (cont'd) should be

$$\left(Y-R_1-H-R_3-H-O\right)$$
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Column 29

Lines 24-37

should be

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